

**ROCKLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS**

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING,
MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2010, 6:30 PM
HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**

The School Committee met on Monday, March 8, 2010, at 6:30 PM, in the High School Library. Committee members present were: Mr. Norris, Mr. Mills, Mrs. Pezzella and Mrs. Werkheiser. Also present were Superintendent Retchless, Assistant Superintendent for Business/Finance Scarpelli, and Mrs. Lamb.

Citizens broadcasting for WRPS/TV were present in the audience.

Mr. Norris introduced Student Representative Sarah Crawford and noted that Mr. Mullen was unable to attend the meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, unanimous, the minutes of the meeting of February 22, 2010 were accepted. Mr. Norris abstained from voting as he was not at the meeting.

A request from the Rockland Lions Club to distribute Bunny Trail flyers to preschool through elementary students was approved on the recommendation of the Superintendent. Motion by Mr. Mills seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, unanimous.

A request from the Rockland Girl Scouts Troop #80452 to distribute flyers to Grades 7 & 8 girls at the Middle School was approved on the recommendation of the Superintendent. Motion by Mr. Mills seconded by Mrs. Werkheiser, unanimous

A request from the Rockland Youth Football/Cheerleaders to distribute flyers to Grade 1-8 students was approved on the recommendation of the Superintendent. Motion by Mr. Mills seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, unanimous.

Superintendent Retchless reported on the two committee searches for an elementary and middle school principals. The committee interviewed 6 candidates for the middle school principal and 7 candidates for the elementary principal position and narrowed the candidates to two for each school.

On four motions by Mr. Mills, seconds by Mrs. Werkheiser, unanimous, the following February Monthly Reports were approved:

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| 1) Administrators | Mr. Sangster, Mr. Stanish, Mrs. McGrath,
Mr. Kohn/Dr. Levine, Mrs. Sheehan |
| 2) Guidance | Mrs. Cann |
| 3) Nurse | Mrs. Ryan |
| 4) Pupil Personnel Services | Ms. Salem |

On five separate motions by Mr. Mills, seconds by Mrs. Pezzella, unanimous, the following Security Trailer Reports for February were accepted:

- 1) Almshouse
- 2) Esten
- 3) Hartsuff Park
- 4) Jefferson
- 5) Memorial Park

The following Newsletters for March were noted:

- 1) Esten
- 2) Jefferson
- 3) Memorial Park
- 4) Middle School

The Building Rentals for February were noted.

Mrs. Werkheiser reported that the School Building Committee met with the architects and had a walk through the high school. The middle school plans are 100% ready and the high school plans are 80-90% ready. Superintendent Retchless told the committee about the construction managers, they have 5 candidates who have done a walk through and they will interview them shortly.

A summary of the Spring 2010 Rockland Community Education Classes was noted.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was voted to declare a listing of technology equipment as surplus property. Motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Werkheiser, unanimous.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was voted to declare a listing of Sped department equipment as surplus property. Motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, unanimous, the proposed Town Meeting Warrant Article was approved.

On the motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, it was voted to approve a \$200 donation from Mr. Walter Hoeg and to send a thank you letter. The donation will be used for the Rockland High School wrestling program.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was voted to approve the proposed High School/Access/North River Collaborative fundraiser. Motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Werkheiser, unanimous.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was voted to approve the proposed High School Drama fundraiser. Motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, unanimous.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was voted to approve the proposed High School Athletics fundraiser. Motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Werkheiser, unanimous.

Ms. Crawford announced that the seniors would be attending a scholarship assembly in March and that all materials should be returned to Guidance by April 9th. Wednesday, March 17th are Rockland High School parent/teacher conferences. Thursday, March 18th is Rogers Middle School are their parent/teacher conferences. Kindergarten registration is March 1-12th at the Jefferson School. Wednesday, March 10th is the Shamrock Classic at the Rockland High School gym. There will be summer basketball taking place at the courts behind the middle school during the months of May and June. Super Saturday for the Boys Basketball leagues will be March 27th.

On the motion from Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Werkheiser, unanimous, the meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F Mills .Jr